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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of : Bentzien, J et al.) Art Unit: 1626
U.S. Appln. No. : 10/632,888) Examiner: Stockton, L.L.
Confirmation No. : 3053
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Title of Invention : Substituted Benzimidazole Compounds
Attny. Docket No.: 9/254

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Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 11/17/2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 18 of this paper.